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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	William Alfond, <i>et al.</i>
Serial No. 09/991,101	Filing Date: November 21, 2001
Title of Application:	IMPROVED REMOVABLE HEEL
Confirmation No. 5726	Art Unit: 3728
Examiner	Ted Kavanaugh

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Response to Official Action

In response to the Final Official Action of November 4, 2004, Applicants herewith present its amendment. Please amend the specification and claims as detailed below. Applicants believe that entry of this Response is proper as it places the application in condition for allowance and makes no substantive amendments to the claims. Amendments to the claims are to correct formal errors. Applicants do not believe any fee is owed. However, in the event there is an outstanding fee, Applicants authorize the Examiner to charge account number 19-4516.

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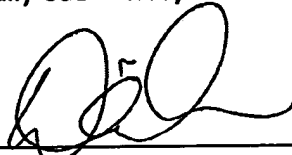
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Remarks

The Final Office Action stated that claim 40 is allowed and upon correcting formal errors, claims 6-14, 17-19, 26-34 and 37-39 would be allowed. Applicants cancelled all rejected claims and corrected the formal errors and, therefore, all pending claims should be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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